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Hongkong, January 30, 1901. 235

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A thoroughly experienced EURO-
PEAN BOOKKEEPER, one who has been
employed in a large retail store preferred.

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Hongkong, January 30, 1901. 237

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CREAP BUILDING SITES, at Kow-
loon, for European Houses. Situation
A. Very Small Capital required. For
particulars and place.
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A. BUMJAHN,
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WILLIAM MACLEOD, D.D.S.,
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BEACONSFIELD ARCADE,
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BANK).
Hongkong, January 4, 1901. 25

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We are now offering at greatly reduced prices a quantity of CARPET-SQUARES,
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EXTRA DRY CHAMPAGNE,

Agents: SHEWAN, TOME & CO.,
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WE have This Day Appointed Messrs.
W. WATTS, EDWARDS & CO., of
Hongkong, our Sole Agents for that City,
South China, and Manilla.

ONCEILL, WARNEFORD & CO.,
London, January 19, 1901. 153

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WE have This Day ESTABLISHED
ourselves as Sole Agents for Hong-
kong, South China, and Manilla, for Messrs.
O'NEILL, WARNEFORD & CO., Manu-
facturers and Merchants, of London, Man-
chester, Birmingham and Hartlepool.

WATTS, EDWARDS & CO.,
Hongkong, January 21, 1901. 154

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FOR Six Months from next Spring,
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Central.

The said list will remain so posted until
the 15th instant; in order that any person
may apply by notice in writing to the
General Manager, to have his name or the name of
another person, respectively either
added to or struck off from the said list
upon cause to be duly assigned in such
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J. W. NORTON KYSHE,
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Hongkong, January 31, 1901. 245

NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant
to the provisions of Section 6 of the
July Consolidated Ordinance, No. 18 of
1897, in the day and hour to be posted,
at the chief entrance to the Custom House,
List of all Persons assented by him to be
eligible to serve as Jurors. The names of
Special Jurors are shown therein in Italics.

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MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Tender Closed.

11 a.m.—Tenders for Government Bills received by the Chief Paymaster, Army Pay Department.

AUCTIONS.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furnitures, &c., at No. 28, Des Voeux Road.

Amusements.

9 p.m.—Hanneton's Grand Circus, at the Recreation Ground (Near the Race Course).

Miscellaneous.

Dividend of 8 per cent or 81.50 on Shares of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamship Co., Ltd., payable.

General Memoranda.

TUESDAY, February 7.—Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of the Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd., at the Company's Offices, Victoria Building.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, &c., at Mr G. P. Lamerton's, Goods per "Tenton" not cleared at 4 p.m., subject to rent.

SATURDAY, February 9.—Goods per "Parrotland" not cleared at 4 p.m., subject to rent.

MONDAY, February 11.—3 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land situated at Mong Kok Tsui.

SATURDAY, February 16.—Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, at the City Hall.

MONDAY, February 25.—Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of the Hongkong and Whampoa Duck Co., Ltd., at the Company's Offices, Queen's Buildings, New Plaza.

Exchange.

HONGKONG, February 5, 1901.

On London—Bank, Wire, 2.00
" " Ordinances, 2.01
" " 30 days' sight, 2.01
" " 4 months' sight, 2.01
Credits, 4 months' sight, 2.02
Documentation, 4 months' sight, 2.02

On Paris—On demand, 2.52
Credits, 4 months' sight, 2.58
On Paris, Demand, 2.05

On New York—On demand, 482
Credits, 60 days' sight, 50

On Bombay—Wire, 1498
On demand, 1501

On Calcutta—Wire, 1498

On demand, 1501

On Singapore—On demand, 1% per cent.

On Manila—On demand, 12 per cent.

On Shanghai—On demand, 721
30 days' sight, (private paper), 731

On Yokohama—On demand, 11 1/2 per cent.

Gold Leaf, 100 fine, (per tael), 8.95
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate), 981.75
Silver (per oz.), 2981.75

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ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE Attention of Advertisers is drawn to the Latest Hours for Receiving Advertisements and Corrections to Advertising.

Advertisements and additions to Advertisements on Pages 1 and 4, should be sent to this Office not later than 10 a.m. Now Advertisements should be sent in before 3 p.m.

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CHINA MAIL' Office, Des 1900.



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Dark Wine, Green Seal

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C MANZANILLA, PALE
NATURAL SHERRY.

White Capsule, 12.00

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Red Seal Capsule, 12.00

D VERY SUPERIOR OLD
PALE DRY, choice old
wine, White Seal Capsule, 14.40

E EXTRA SUPERIOR OLD
PALE DRY, very finest
quality, Black Seal Capsule
(Old Bottled), 20.40

B, C, and CC are excellent dinner Wines

and suitable for invalids and delicate

stomachs. D and E are after dinner Wines

of a very superior vintage. All are true

Xero Wines.

Small bottles and smaller quantities will

be supplied at proportionate wholesale

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We only guarantee our Wines and

Spirits to be genuine when bought direct

from us in the Colony or from our

authorised Agents at the Coast Ports.

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QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Established A.D. 1841.

1807

BIRTH.

On Christmas Day, 1900, at New Mole Parade, Gibraltar, to the Wife of John Rowland Cook, of a son.

MARRIAGE.

BYRNE—SILAS.—On the 28th January, at the Peak Church, Hongkong, by the Rev. R. F. Colbath, M.A., Captain Lionel Earle BILLANTYNE DAVIS, Royal Artillery, and Eva, daughter of Major-General Shaw, V.C., C.B.

DEATH.

AT Shanghai, on the 26th January, ANNIE, the beloved wife of G. L. Shuck, and third daughter of H. Haimovich; aged 26 years.

The publication of this issue commenced at 5.30 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1901.

Editorial Comment.

AS if enough had not been said to vex the public mind over the proclamation of the accession of His Most Gracious Majesty King Edward VII, a correspondent raises the question of the legality of the proclamation itself! He contends that a proclamation, to be legal, must contain the words "God Save the King." At least, if he does not contend positively that it should be so, he leaves it to be inferred that that was the legal and proper termination of a proclamation declaring the accession to the throne. For our part, unskilled in proclamations, and being just ruled enough and democratic enough to care little how proclamations are worded so long as they do not infringe the great Magna Charta of our rights as British citizens, we had thought in our ignorance that the famous invocation of the Deity in "Save the reigning monarch was an empty form, as meaningless, speaking generally, as the "Uroy, Uroy" of certain Court functionaries. That being our assumption, we do not see what it matters how the proclamation was or was not worded. But A.B.—unless he has been upon a mare's nest (or the legal equivalent thereof)—raises a doubt, and the public will not rest satisfied until the bogey of doubt is evaded and laid. The eminent local legal adviser of His Excellency the Governor, and here provided with a suit to speak, and unless he has been led into a legal abyss from which there is no escape by the ready road of pre-empt, they may have to remain in a dreary state of uncertainty until a "ruling" can be obtained from still higher and more eminent legal authorities in England. These same "experts" who, with due amplification of phrase, can decide that "a place" is not a place in the meaning of the Act, may decide in the like wise that the Hongkong version of the Accession Proclamation is not a proclamation; and, if they do, whether will be the just solution of this Colony during the interregnum? Shall the acts of the Crown, as performed by the Governor, be invalid on account of the invalidity of the Proclamation? The question opens up a vista of doubt and uncertainty. There may be nothing in "A.B." point, but what have the Crown officers to say upon it?

DURING the past week, a good deal has been said and written on the subject of better facilities for the education of European children in Hongkong. We ourselves have contributed to the discussion of the question. Not because we had any great hope that those who can readily matters would do so, but because we had a strong sense of the notorious inadequacy of the present educational system of this Colony, and felt that a protest was needed on the public's behalf. We meant to believe, and this comes to us from different sources, that the cause we pleaded is not so hopeless after all. It is true that His Excellency Sir Henry Blake, after two years' acquaintance with the Colony, is inclined to recognise the crying need of the European children, then there is reason to rejoice. Bishop Horne and the Press will not have spoken in vain. If the Governor can be convinced that the Colony has outgrown a system of education probably suited to the conditions that prevail some thirty or forty years ago, perhaps he, in turn, may be able to convince the Downing Street officials that Hongkong has no claim to be considered a progressive Colony, and must needs move with the times, even in the matter of educational form. And, postulating another proposition, if the Governor and those who assist him to govern the Colony consider that their hands would be strengthened by an outward manifestation that the Colony desires educational reform, doubtless the leaders of the people will be able to oblige His Excellency in this respect. The public ask no more than their right. It is, as we said on a previous occasion, the recognised duty of a civilised Government to provide proper educational facilities for the children of the country. Why European children in Hongkong should be considered outside the pale of civilisation in this respect, it is difficult to understand; and we are convinced that the Permanent Officials in Downing Street cannot have a proper appreciation of the true state of affairs in this

Colony, otherwise there would be no need to be so strenuous in our claims for a radical reorganisation of the educational system. Hitherto, the question has been agitated from the point of view of the Europeans. Some of our correspondents, in their plea for reformation, have omitted consideration of the Chinese and other Asiatics.

We are informed that the newspaper discussion is being followed closely by the leading Chinese, who, as ratepayers equally with the Europeans and with educational requirements for their own children, cannot fail to be affected by any decision that may be arrived at by the authorities—resolving always that the authorities are considering the subject and that they may get down on one side or the other of the fence. There are Chinese and Chinese—just as there are Europeans and Europeans, and probably the class distinctions are just as marked as they were in the town so graphically described by Dickens in "Pickwick."

Like the Europeans, the well-to-do Chinese are also dissatisfied with the present educational facilities offered by the Colony, and what is true of them may be applied, with equal force, to other Asiatics.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE, which has so long been held up as the model educational establishment of the Colony, is not considered good enough for a certain class of Chinese, who have drafted their boys elsewhere. The changes not intended by the Colony, and what is true of them, may be applied, with equal force, to other Asiatics.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.

YU Hsien has been beheaded once more.

Rinderpest is spreading very rapidly in and round Nagasaki.

The Japanese Contingent has gone into mourning for 21 days.

The Dallas Company opened with "The Guide" at Shanghai on the 4th inst.

The Bankruptcy Amending Ordinance comes up for third reading on Thursday next.

No one is allowed on the bank of the Pohu opposite Tientsin without a Russian passport.

Entries for Mr C. T. Robinson's box-hunting tournament close on Saturday next, the 10th inst.

M. Colinda Phancy has been appointed French Minister Plenipotentiary to Corea.

Fouchow is suffering from a bad attack of horsefly fever. It is believed to have been imported.

One of the oldest Buddhist temples in Japan, the Hōsenji at Taki, was burnt down on the 20th January.

The British residents at Yokohama and Kowloon have sent messages of condolence to Lord Lansdowne.

A telegram received at Tokio on the 24th January says that the Duke of York has been declared Prince of Wales.

Bad weather caused the "Empress of China" to be 42 hours making her recent trip from Wusung to Nagasaki.

The steamer "Gleninchy," with 221,000 bushels of wheat, is going from Tacoma to Liverpool via Japan and the Suez Canal.

The Japan Beer Joint Stock Co. (Yebisu Beer) pays its shareholders a dividend of 22 per cent and a bonus of 8 per cent.

The 8,000-ton, 15-knot steamer "Koga Maru," built at Nagasaki for the N. Y. K., was successfully launched on the 26th January.

Down to the end of January the British Transport Department in North China had not had a dozen deaths among the labourers and men.

News has been received by wire at Shanghai that Mr Fraser, H.M. Consul at Chinkiang, has given permission for his family to return to that port, but has not proceeded into the interior.

The Grand Hotel Co., Ltd., Yokohama, made a profit of yen 38,514 in the past half year. It is proposed to pay a dividend of 9 per cent for the half-year, with 6 yen for depreciation, and carry forward yen 9,450.

The Dongkong correspondent of a Shanghai newspaper, after referring to the "Fukien" incident, writes:—I sincerely hope that there will be no more bad conduct reported on Her Majesty's ships, for I am sorry to say that about forty of her seamen are now doing time in Victoria Gaol. How is this?

A new French newspaper has been published in Shanghai. The title is "L'Espresso" in Milan, and it is edited by M. J. E. Lévi, formerly of the "Echo de Chine." It is to be by, and by a weekly paper, to be issued on the 1st of every month.

At present it will come out three times a week. The opening number contains a chiding tribute to our late Queen Victoria.

SALE OF CROWN LAND.

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